

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend Page 14, line 15 as follows:

A1 The certificate server 100 typically stores a plurality of electronic certificates 152. The electronic certificate 154 for which the processor 200 detects a change in condition comprises at least one of the plurality of electronic certificates 152. The plurality of certificates 152 may be stored on the certificate server 100 in an ITU X.500 certificate directory, or the certificate server 100 may further comprise a certificate authority or PGP key server. The first module 206 may detect a change in condition of two or more electronic certificates 152, and the second module is for notifying one or more respective certificate users 30 of the change in condition of the respective electronic certificate 154 based on the contract, or CAP, negotiated by the third module 210. Each of the certificate users 30 negotiates a CAP for notification. Each CAP may apply to one or more of the

Please amend Page 15, lines 15-18 as follows:

A2 Alice 20 and Bob 30 in this illustration are symbolic persons, and at least one for each person of a plurality of workstations, personal computers, or other type of processors capable of electronic communications with the certificate server 100, for input, processing, and use of electronic certificates 152. Electrical communications may be accomplished through a local area network, wide area network, Intranet, Internet or other type of network or communications line recognized by those skilled in the art.